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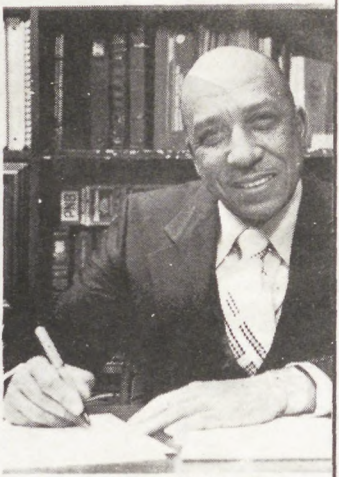
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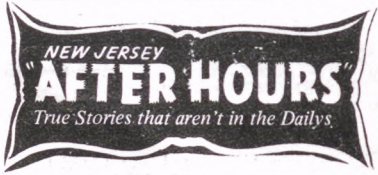
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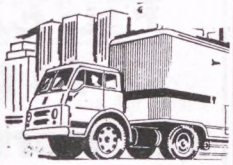
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BY VALERIE SMITH

UNION FLASHES— Election of Gov. Ronald Reagan as the 40th President of United States was good news to CALVIN HURD, Esq. of Elizabeth and his sister, RUTH HURD MINOR of Roselle, as both have been solid Republicans for years, and active in GOP affairs and the Reagen command is not likey to forget them. . . The same is true of Plainfield's J. ANDREW GLLIAM, who was introduced at the recent NAACP state convention as black GOP leader of the state. A frequent Newark visitor to Union GOP events is of course veteran GOP figure BILL STUBBS, who is often called upon to emcee civic events.

FASHIONS AT MOUNTAINSIDE— Be sure to stop into the fashion show/dinner dance sponsored by Softsilk Productions on Friday, November 14th at Dasti's Mountainside Inn, 1230 Route 22 West. The evening of elegance will begin at 8 p.m. with a full-course dinner, followed by a fashion show entitled "Memories," featuring styles from talented designers. Such unforgettable occasions as homecoming games and family holiday reunions will be brought to life as models show the newest in fashions for the entire family, hair designs, compliments of The Professionals by Howard of Plainfield, will be shown. During the intermission, sketches, paintings and other works by local artists will be on display. A dance will follow the fashion show, with music by DLW. Tickets are $16 per person and may be purchased at Records 'R' Us and The Professionals by Howard in Plainfield. Call Tanya Hines at 561-6993, Inez Linton at 672-6194, Gloria Tucker at 561-8461, or Lillian Hughes at 757-9572 for more information about the affair.

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SHADY REST MEMORIES— LEON RUSSEL, now president of the N.J. Tennis Assn is researching the career of the late J. MERCER BURRELL, Esq. who founded that association at the lamented Shady Rest Country Club. The Association is quite active but its base today is in Newark. Only senior Unionites remember the Country Club's years of Glory — the state and national tennis tourneys, the noted golf matches, the glittering social events of the Girl Friends and Gay Northeasterners and the Boule. The late William Willis ran the place and his sons and daughters grew up there. Many youngsters wo played on those courts reached fame as doctors, lawyers, even a Federal Judge/General BENJAMIN O. DAVIS used to attend affairs there, resplendent in his West Point Uniform and with New Haven's Agatha Scott whom he later married.

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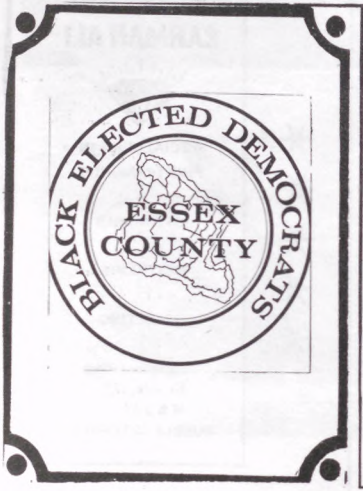
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The Socialites

by Butler Webb

Dr. Walter J. Leonard, president of Fisk University, delivered an oratorical review of achievers in black history last Thursday night at Town and Campus in West Orange where 28 leaders in science, business, industry and the professions were honored.

Like the speaker, the 19 male honorees wore black tie and the women formal gowns, and all sat at the lower dais, while the main dais was filled with YMCA officials and other luminaries.

Dr. Leonard began with a rhapsody of Crispus Attucks, quoting him as telling the British troops "you may have my life first." He moved on through Elijah McCoy, Harriet Tubman (she never ran a train off the Underground Railway.) Frederick Douglas, Ralph Bunche and others.

He said black achievers had woven a bloody trail through American ranks in the World Wars and "they struck two blows for world freedom then and are still following the North Star like Douglas."

He lauded Paul Robeson, "who had to die to be recognized", Alex Haley, Martin Luther King, and other modern achievers and said the nation will not reach maturity until our skills and talents are recognized. He lamented whites on the mountains and blacks still in the valleys.

"Let American Be America Again" he concluded.

Honorees were Toni M. Armstead, Daniel A. Broadman, Pamela Bray, Anthony Bunn, Walter D. Chambers, Edward Coles, Gwendolyn Evans, Roger Facey, Henry Gaines, Richard A. Gaither, Rosa B. Harris, Billie Hudson, Barbara Jenkins, Edward Johnson, John Littlejohn, Walter Malay, Trish Morris, Jesse Morrison, Janice Powell, Arthur Ravenell, David B. Ruff, Rick Sheard, Edith Simmons, Nesta Stewart, Ronald Stokes, Audrey R. Terry, Alvin Vinson, and Alphonso Whitfield.

Connie Woodruff narrated, Livingstone T. Goddman, Y board chairman; Alan Kane, William H. Blakeley Jr. spoke and Kane and Blakeley presented the awards.

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PHYLISS WHEATLEY ANNIVERSARY— The 70-year old Phyliss Wheatley Literary Club, founded in 1910 at the old St. Phillips Church in Newark celebrated Sunday at the Parish House on Rector Street with scores of Jersey's VIP women and men on hand, and members wearing white carnations

surrounded by their blue and gold ribbons.

Dolls, dressed in Phyliss Wheatly style dresses and bonnets and created by Cara Straylor were displayed on two tables and Mrs. Erma Stripling veteran member, was herself garbed in the Wheatley style as she read excerpts from the many Wheatley poems.

Mrs. Mable Perry of Livingstone emceed the program that was featured by songs by Toni J. Nowers and Adolphus Dickens. Harry Wheeler, Newark's Manpower chief presented a proclamation from Mayor Kenneth Gibson naming Nov. 7th as Phyliss Wheatley Day, the proclamation accepted by Mrs. Ruth Fitzgerald, President.

Gladys B. Francis, Elizabeth Leach, Margaret McLeod, and others including Mrs. Perry, read poems.

Mrs. Ruth Fitzgerald cited the club's history and told of the occasions when the late Dr. W.E. Dubois, James Weldon Johnson, Matthew Henson and W.C. Handy were speakers at their celebrations.

A poem by the late Pansy Borders was read and all members present were called to the front.

William Ashby and Mrs. Bertha Taylor, three times president of the N.J. Federaton of Colored Women's Clubs, made brief remarks. Phyliss Wheatly was affiliated with the Federation until 1979.

Among those present were Lincoln Turner, the William Ashbys, Adolphus Dickens, Ann Parker, Mrs. Kenneth Wilkerson, Clara Strayhorn, Sally Collins, Valerie Stout, Sadie Young, Alice Cooke, the Claude Perrys, Patricia Johnson, Dr. Alma Flagg, Eliza C. Morris, Helen Saparo, Virginia and Lucius B. Ackmon, Mr.s H. Bagby, Delia Martin, Edith Holt.

Also Dr. Dorothy Smith, Bernice Stone, Mrs. Carl Magoney, and many others.

COMING EVENTS—

70th Birthday of the Phyliss Wheatley — at Parish House, 23 Rector Street, Newark.

Barbara Delaney's salute to her mother plus Emily Miles show at L'Affaire — Nov. 16.

Clement Price Salute, N.J. Historical Society — Nov. 19.

Newark Boys Club salute, Newark Museum — Nov. 20.

Alpha Kappa Alpha luncheon, Imperial Manor — Dec. 21.



AT EBONY FAIR— Doris Manning and daughter at recent Ebony Fashion Fair.

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AT SKI PARTY— Micheal Fuller of Newark, makes ping-pong shot at party by JERSEY SKIERS at Four Seasons club in East Hanover.

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AT LEAGUE DINNER— Group of guests and officers at recent Equal Opportunity dinner by Essex County Urban League at the Treat. Group includes Gerry Williams, Mayor Thomas Cooke, William Blakely and others.

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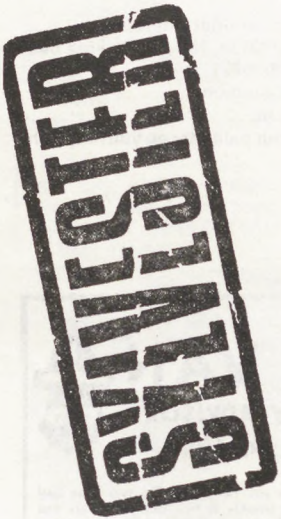
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There's his unerring choice of material. Sylvester never merely sings other people's songs; he totally recasts them. Witness his startling transformation of "Fever," on the new LP, from sultry torch song to kinetic dance anthem. The ballad "Change Up" (previously recorded by Jean Terrell) is likewise created anew in Sylvester's hands, as is the contemporary standard, "Cry Me a River."

Sylvester, along with his producer Harvey Fuqua and arranger Louis Small, also draws on the talents of several fine young songwriters: guitarist Greg Crockett, who wrote the supremely funky "Doin' It for the Real Thing" with Sylvester; Englishman Lionel Azulay, composer of the title selection; and pianist Eric Robinson, who contributed two extraordinary tunes, "I Need You" and the ballad "My Life Is Loving You." (Robinson and bassist Ron Carter provide accompaniment on the latter.)

"Now to me, 'My Life Is Loving You' is the most interesting song on the whole album," says Sylvester. "I can't wait to see how it's going to go over."

The release of *Sell My Soul* is the latest chapter in several years of nonstop

activity for Sylvester, which began when his now-classic 12-inch single, "Dance (Disco Heat)"/"You Make Me Feel (Mighty Real)," propelled his *Step II* album to gold status. He was subsequently showered with awards, among them Best Male Singer at the 1978 Billboard Disco Forum.

He made an appearance in the Bette Midler film *The Rose*; his *Stars* album was released; and he toured Europe and Brazil with great success. He also did numerous TV guest spots, including Merv Griffin, Dinah, Dance Fever, Midnight Special, Don Kirshner Rock Concert, and American Bandstand.

On the evening of March 11, 1979, declared "Sylvester Day" by San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein, the singer presented a grand-scale, triumphant concert at the city's Opera House.

Sylvester feels that *Living Proof*, the double album recorded at that concert, is "the best representation of what people had been writing about me since the day I started performing. All the energy is there." The album contained a typically eclectic mix of blues, ballads, and funk, and produced a sizable hit single, Patti Labelle's "You Are My Friend."

Sylvester sums up his biographical details as follows: "I was born in Los Angeles, and moved to San Francisco about 13 years ago. That's when my life started."

Not long thereafter—in 1973—Sylvester signed with Blue Thumb, for whom he recorded three albums; in '76, he met Harvey Fuqua and his partner Nancy Pitts, who brought him to Fantasy Records. Fuqua has co-produced all of his albums for the label.

Sylvester has an abiding love for his musical antecedents, and for the last seven years or so has been researching a book which will discuss the transition of black music from gospel and spirituals to blues and jazz.

"Information on this subject is not at all easily accessible," Sylvester explains. "You have to look for it, and I found a lot of material in the Library of Congress, and the Jazz Library in New York. I have an extensive record collection of my own, and I've also met and talked with John Hammond, Ethel Waters, and Alberta Hunter."

One of the things Sylvester discovered in his research was the great tradition of theatrics that dates from the turn of the century. "I had dreamed about these things," the singer continues, "and had incorporated a lot of my fantasies into what I did onstage. Then I found out this incredible tradition actually existed!

"One dream of mine, always, was to meet Josephine Baker. I finally saw her perform twice, and got to talk to her. She told me that the illusion you create from the stage is very important, because people pay for fantasy.

"That reassured me about what I was doing with my own performances, and I've gone on from there."

Sylvester may indeed dish out fantasy and illusion from the stage with unparalleled imagination and flair. But the bottom line of his performances—onstage and on record—has always been the music.

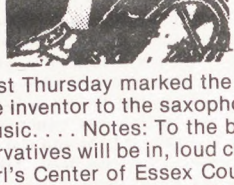
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Last Thursday marked the 166th birthdate of ADOLPHE SAX the inventor to the saxophone for classical and macrch band music. . . . Notes: To the black political style members, conservatives will be in, loud clothes will be out. . . Hats off to the Girl's Center of Essex County, 2 Ogden St., in Newark, their cake sale was a smash hit! . . . JIMMY McGRIFF back home from his tour — terrific! wow! a great jazz la modern sound. . . Happy Birthday to BEE JAY, the editor, who'll be "29" and holding on the 17th — also RONALD and THELMA VANNOY of Orange, the 23rd and 26th respectively. . . CLUB 49 featuring the last of the big time spenders' 22 anniversary. . . ESTHER ROLLE the T.V. star, here planning big things with our QUEENIE JAMES. . . Don't forget we expect to see you at JUDY NELSON's B-Day partee, Sun. November 16th, 4 p.m. until. . . BILL BURWELL and SHARON HUNTER want to be your salesperson for the liquor business, call them at 242-7020, 675-4325. . . EDDIE YOUNG, our man at the "NEW HORIZON" at 942 South Orange Ave., in Newark, N.J. . . . BUDDY TERRY sound is one of true jazz, not just make believe sound of the greats. . . Did you know that DOROTHY DRUMMER who is a floor covering expert also was a noted pianist! . . . Don't forget if you have a consumer problem in Newark call 733-8000. HOPE JACKSON may be able to help. . . Watch for the big doings coming to the ZANZIBAR DISCOTHEQUE at 430 Broad St., in Newark. MILES BERGER says there will never be any bigger attraction than those at the Zanzibar. . . FRIENDS TAVERN— LEON BRISTOL, LADIE LEMON and the staff always come one, come all, if you want a ball. . . JOEY'S TAVERN— DEE, RUSSELL and ROBERT say all kinds of spenders stop in here. . . CLINTONIAN LOUNGE— CLARENCE Skeets GREEN has a pretty sweet looking staff — if you don't believe check 'em out! . . . NEW CLUB ELEGANT— FREDDIE, one of the best-dressed men on Branford Place, doing everyting right. . . ROMEO PIZZA, 317 Central Ave., East Orange, food pizza, lazagna, meat balls and fast food, oven fresh. . . VICTORY WINE & LIQUOR INC. — Young fast staff for service with a smile. . . Joseph Lordi, Chairman of the N.J. Casion Control Comm. will participate in a workshop presented by the Human and Civil Rights Assoc. of N.J. on Nov. 20th.



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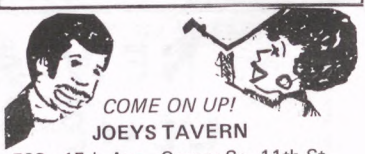
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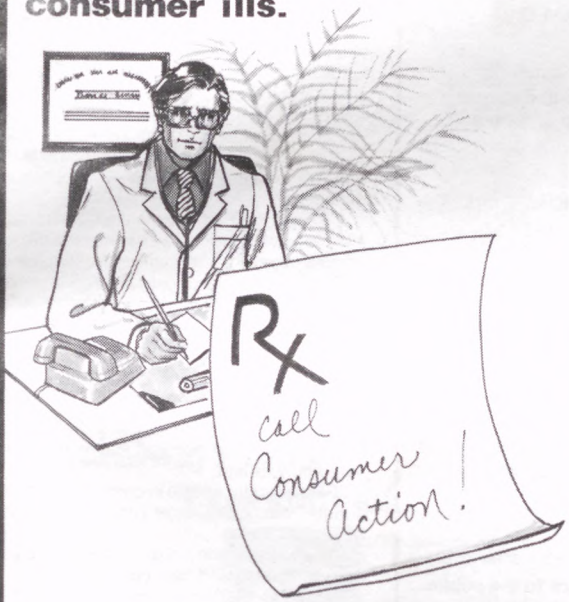
"Many consumers feel that they are paying more and receiving less for their clothing dollar, and in many instances, they are right, said Hope Jackson, Manager of the Newark Office of Consumer Action.

"Consumers should take the necessary time and care when purchasing clothing. Although sales are important, price should not be the sole determinant in the selection process. The quality of the fabic and the workmanship of the article should be carefully considered along with the price. Remember, clothing that is poorly made or that doesn't fit properly is a bad buy at any price," said Ms. Jackson.

The Newark Office of Consumer Action recommends that consumers take the following precautions:

- Inspect the workmanship of the item and make certain you will not have to make repairs before the garment can be worn.
- Don't take anything for granted. Cotton fabrics may not be washable, shoes may not be fitted with arch supports.
- Read the care labels. Special handling may be more costly or time consuming than you can afford.
- Reject items if patterns or plaids are mismatched.
- Ask questions and determine if the merchandise is returnable if there are problems.
- Before investing in fashionable leathers and suedes, ask your dry-cleaners the costs and time it will take to clean them.
- Follow care instructions carefully. If problems arise, take back the merchandise. Some of the diasterous results of buying unwisely include trim that bleeds onto the main garment and dye colors that fade or run, puckered seams when incompatible materials are combined; synthetic suedes that stiffen when dry-cleaned and bonded interfacings that frequently produce a bubbled surface on men's suits.

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Although the instances that provoked these shootings varied, several Black police officers who attended the sixth annual National Black Police Assn. convention in Chicago said there are several steps that citizens should follow when they are stopped.

"Don't resist an officer's orders," said Harold James, a 13 year veteran with Philadelphia police force. "If you have a complaint about the officer's attitude, don't tell him that you're going to file a complaint. Get his name, badge number and car number and time and location.

"Remain calm and be in control of yourself," added Detective George Thomas of Newark, N. J. "Attitudes create problems; always identify yourself and make sure you have your driver's license and car registration."

Patrolman Fred Johnson of Cleve. said, "If your hands must leave the officer's sight, in order to get your license out of the glove compartment or briefcase, tell the officer. Policemen basically are scared too, and they have to protect themselves."

All the officers agreed that if you have a complaint follow it up by filing a grievance with your local police department. Plus every city has an A CLU, NAACP, Urban League, justice department and prosecutor's office to handle citizen complaints.



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